

INELIGIBLE VOLUNTEER RECORD SHEET
REGISTRATION SERVICE
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE: 11/14/78

FULL NAME John C Leavis S.S. NO. _____
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS 25 Laurel Dr

CITY Hudson STATE MA CO 241 ZIP CODE _____

DATE OF BIRTH 1944 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE 34 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION _____ NATIONALITY (Citizen of) _____

OCCUPATION School Teacher

EDUCATION College

WEIGHT _____ HEIGHT _____ RACE _____

COLOR OF HAIR _____ COLOR OF EYES _____

DISTINGUISHING PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS _____

HOBBIES OR SPECIAL INTERESTS _____

MARRIED ☐ SINGLE ☐ NAME OF SPOUSE _____

CHILDREN _____
(Name, number, ages, if possible)

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	POSITION	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
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Chartered Organization _____

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS _____

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2. Victim(s) statement
3. media reports
4. Legal proceedings
5. Offender's statement
6. Official notification of termination
7. Found guilty/innocent by court

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July 9, 1993

Mr. Daniel M. O'Neill
Scout Executive
Cambridge Council, No. 229
One Scouting Way
Cambridge, MA 02139-1837

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: JOHN C. LEAVIS

Dear Dan:

Thank you for the detailed information concerning the above Scouter. This case has been reviewed with our attorney and will remain on our permanent Ineligible Volunteer File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration and Statistical Service

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cc: Charles D. Ball, Northeast Region

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Kirkland 7-2760

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November 8, 1978

Mr. Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration & Subscription Service

SUBJECT: John Leavis

Dear Mr. Ernst:

We do not have any knowledge concerning the above individual.

Sincerely,

Joseph P. Savignano (E.W.)

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Mr. Joseph P. Savignano
Scout Executive
Cambridge Council, No. 229

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: John Leavis

Dear Joe:

We are in receipt of a newspaper clipping concerning the conviction on a morals charge of a former Scoutmaster John Leavis. We are holding this material pending more details.

Enclosed is a confidential record sheet which we would appreciate your filling out and returning as soon as possible, so we can identify this man in the future. Any other information you feel may be important to this case would also be appreciated.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration & Subscription Service

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Former Hudson teacher guilty of morals offense

By ED O'DONOGHUE
Of The News Staff

CAMBRIDGE — A 34-year-old former Hudson school teacher faces sentencing today following his conviction Wednesday for the kidnapping and sexual assault of a 15-year-old youth last summer.

At the conclusion of a three-day

jury-waived trial at Middlesex Superior Court, Judge Neil Colicchio found John Leavis of 25 Laurel Dr., Hudson, guilty of the charges of kidnapping, assault by means of a dangerous weapon and rape and abuse of a child.

Leavis, who resigned his position as a fifth grade teacher in the Hudson school system last winter, still faces trial on seven charges of indecent assault and battery on children under the age of 14.

The three counts of indecent assault and battery on a child under 14 stem from a Feb. 9 arrest of Leavis following a joint investigation by Hudson and Boxborough police.

According to Boxborough Police Chief Robert Johnson, the arrest was made after a 9-year-old boy who [redacted] Leavis as a [redacted] last year complained to his [redacted] who live in Boxborough—he had been sexually assaulted by Leavis.

Hudson police said the investigation included interviews with four youngsters who had [redacted] with Leavis as [redacted] under the care of the [redacted] during 1977.

Sentencing in the case involving the 15-year-old was scheduled for 10 a.m. today. According to the district attorney's office, Leavis could be given a life sentence.

As the trial was about to begin Monday, Leavis invoked his right to have his guilt or innocence decided by a judge instead of a 12-member jury.

Prosecutor Richard Kelley alleged that Leavis, who worked last summer as a counselor at a New Hampshire camp, picked up the youth hitchhiking in Bolton the evening of Aug. 2.

Leavis allegedly threatened the youth with a hand gun and forced the 15-year-old to accompany him to a house in the Marlboro area.

Once in the house, Leavis allegedly sexually assaulted the youth and later drove the youth to his original destination.

Kelley's case was based on the victim's identification of Leavis as his assailant and on evidence that the defendant possessed a hand gun like the one used to threaten the youth.

Wednesday defense attorney William Kittredge presented evidence

that neither Leavis' automobile nor his home matched the victim's description of the vehicle and house in which he was confined.

The prosecutor, however, argued he had not claimed that the kidnapping and attack had occurred in either the defendant's own car or home.

Kelley pointed out that Leavis had access to several other houses and vehicles at the time of the incident.

Following the return of the guilty verdicts, the judge continued the case until the morning to prevent the two attorneys time to prepare their recommendations on sentencing.

According to Kelley, Leavis has no prior criminal record.

The three charges were logged against the defendant this past February after the victim reportedly identified Leavis from photographs shown him by local police.

The charges on which Leavis was convicted were lodged after he was accused of the seven indecent assaults.

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Teacher sentenced in Hudson sex abuse

HUDSON — Former elementary school teacher John C. Leavis, 33, was sentenced this week in Middlesex County Superior Court in Cambridge to Bridgewater State Hospital's treatment center for from one day to life, after hospital psychiatrists determined him to be a "sexually dangerous person."

Sentencing was postponed in May when Leavis, of 25 Laurel Drive, was convicted of kidnapping, assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, and carnally abusing a 16-year-old boy.

Judge Neil Colicchio had ordered the defendant placed under psychiatric evaluation.

The sentence handed down this week means Leavis will be committed to Bridgewater, where he could remain the rest of his life.

The former Forest Avenue school teacher and Boy Scout master was arrested Feb. 9, and was convicted after a 16-year-old boy identified him as the man who offered him a ride, abducted him at gunpoint, and forced him to engage in sexual acts.

Leavis convicted

CAMBRIDGE — Former Hudson teacher John C. Leavis was convicted Wednesday in Middlesex Superior Court of kidnapping, assault and battery with a dangerous weapon and morals offenses against a teen-age camp counselor.

A 16-year-old boy, during testimony Tuesday, identified Leavis as the man who, last August, abducted him at gunpoint and forced him to engage in immoral acts.

Sentencing was scheduled for today.

Assistant District Attorney Richard Kelley, the prosecutor, said Leavis could be given a life sentence.

Judge Neil Colicchio found Leavis guilty less than 10 minutes after attorneys' summaries were completed. Leavis waived his right to a jury trial.

Leavis of 25 Laurel Drive resigned from his position as fifth grade teacher at the Forest Avenue School after his arrest on unrelated charges.

When the judge's decision was announced, Leavis breathed audibly and covered his face with his hands. Leavis didn't testify during the three-day trial.

In his closing summary, Kelley said the case's most important fact was the boy's identification of Leavis as his assailant both in court and earlier after seeing more than 100 photographs of various people at several police stations.

William J. Kittridge, Leavis' counsel, argued that Bolton and Hudson police made an insufficient investigation of the case. He said that Leavis' house and the car to which Leavis had access differed substantially from the descriptions the boy made of the car in which he was abducted and the house where he was taken.

The boy had testified that the car owned by a friend of Leavis, and Leavis' house were not the vehicle and house involved in the incident.

Kittridge said he had no doubt that the boy was attacked. He did, however, contend that Leavis wasn't the boy's assailant.

Kelley said testimony proved Leavis had access to houses and cars owned by friends and neighbors. He said the prosecution never claimed that Leavis' house or a particular friend's car were used in the incident.

Colicchio called the boy an impressive witness. He ruled that Leavis' house and the friend's car were not those involved in the kidnapping. The judge said he was impressed by the fact that the boy readily said he could not identify the house or car, even when specifically directed by police.

Colicchio said the boy has good powers of observation. He said that he was convinced by the boy's refusal to identify the house or the car that the boy wasn't suggestible.

Hudson teacher's trial expected to end today

CAMBRIDGE — The trial of a former Hudson fifth grade teacher on kidnapping and morals charges against a 16-year-old boy is expected to conclude today in Middlesex Superior Court.

In the first two days of trial, Prosecutor Richard Kelley has called five witnesses and was expected to conclude the government's case today.

Defense Attorney William Kirtledge of Hudson was expected to present arguments in defense of John Leavis, 34, who was indicted by a grand jury for kidnapping, assault by means of a dangerous weapon and morals charges.

The youth testified Monday that he was offered a ride on Rte. 85 this past summer by a man who then drew a gun and ordered the youth to engage in sex acts at a house which he was driven to.

Kelley said the case against Leavis hinges on the victim's identification of the defendant.

The incident allegedly occurred in August of 1977, but Leavis was not charged until this past winter. He resigned his teaching post at Forest Avenue School in Hudson after he was arrested.